

IV. REMARKS

Reconsideration of this application in light of the above amendments and the following remarks is requested.

The specification has been amended to include a reference to the continuation application.

Attached is a new declaration that overcomes the rejections set forth in the office actions. In this context, the rejection of claims 1-51 based on a defective reissue declaration is traversed on the ground that claims 1-51 are the original patent claims.


Claim 89 has been cancelled and its limitations have been added to claims 92 and 93 to rewrite the latter claims in independent form. In view of the fact that the rejection based on the defective declaration has been overcome, claims 92 and 93 are allowable. Also, previously rejected claims 90 and 91 have been amended to depend from claim 92 and are therefore allowable along with the remaining claims 94-108.

In summary, the original patent claims 1-51, along with claims 90-108 in the form now presented, are allowable. Therefore, an early notice of allowance of claim 1-51, and 90-108 is requested.

Should the Examiner have any questions or comments regarding the above, he is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

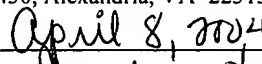

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